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Applicant: Daniel L. Tuma
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Title: FILTER CONSTRUCTION FOR DISK DRIVES, AND USE

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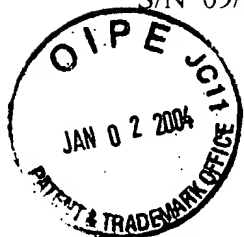
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Dear Sir:

Submitted herewith are 5 (five) sheet(s) of Formal Drawings for completion of this application, and in compliance with the requirements of the Official Communication from the Examiner dated October 29, 2003.

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Respectfully submitted,

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